



MEMORANDUM

To: Mayor and Council Members
From: Richard Mendoza, Director, Public Works Department
Date: October 11, 2021
Subject: Five Priority Fire/EMS Stations Progress Report – October 2021

The purpose of the memo is to provide an update on progress responsive to Council Resolution No. [20180524-035](#), which directed the City Manager to develop a plan to construct and staff five permanent Fire/EMS stations over a six-year timeline in the areas of greatest need as identified in the updated 2017 Austin Fire Department/Austin Fire Association Fire Risk and Service Delivery Analysis Report.

Since the last update on this effort, in July 2021, the Del Valle/Moore's Crossing station project warranty period has ended, construction has completed for the Travis Country station, and final design is nearing completion on the third station, Loop 360/Davenport.

As you know, COVID-19 has had a great impact on our budget and fiscal outlook. We believe we will still be able to deliver the remaining three stations within the original six-year timeline and are working in partnership with the City's Budget Office as well as the Austin Fire Department and Austin/Travis County Emergency Medical Services on next steps for delivery given the current financial constraints.

The following outlines our progress to date, and additional information can be found online at <https://atxpublicsafetyprojects.com>

Del Valle/Moore's Crossing Station

- Project is complete, warranty period has ended, project is in close out phase.
- Request for Council Action (RCA) for Arts in Public Spaces (AIPP) is forthcoming.

Travis Country Station

- Construction is complete and the station is in the warranty phase. Fire and EMS have moved in and station is operational.
- Office of Real Estate Services (ORES) continuing negotiations with adjoining businesses on access easement agreement.
- RCA for AIPP is forthcoming

Loop 360/Davenport Station

- Project is nearing the end of design phase and site development permit review comments are being finalized. RCA for contract amendment to begin construction is on the October 14th Council agenda.
- Due to challenges with site topography and utilities we are estimating a 15-month construction timeline for this station (estimated January 2023 completion).
- ORES has coordinated with Law and have received the lease agreement draft to forward to the property owner.
- 2nd public outreach meeting and site visit held on September 21st with concerned residents.

Goodnight Ranch Station

- RCA to amend contract to begin design work on the October 14th Council agenda.
- Design Build (D-B) contractor, JE Dunn, is finalizing their workplan.
- The project remains on schedule and preliminary engineering is anticipated to begin October 2021 following allocation of funding. Future funding for final design and construction will also be required.

Canyon Creek/620 Station

- Site will be shared by the Austin Police Department (APD).
- APD facility design has started.
- Water service extension request will be required. Preparations being made to annex the site into the city to enable Austin Water services.

Next Steps

- Grand opening for Travis Country station to be scheduled in coordination with stakeholder groups.
- Ribbon Cutting for the Loop 360/Davenport will be scheduled in coordination with city council and stakeholder groups.
- October 14th RCA for D-B contract amendment.
- We will work with you regarding next steps on the remaining three stations.

Should you have questions or require additional information, please contact Richard Mendoza, at Richardv.Mendoza@austintexas.gov.

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